

The Honorable William Roth  
C/O U.S. Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

February 6, 1993

Dear Senator Roth:

I am writting to you about the concern I have over the new ruling that the FCC is wanting to implement. It is NPRM-PR Docket 92-235.

I am a radio control airplane hobbyist and this rule will have a great impact on my hobby. This is the second time that FCC is fooling with our frequency. In 1991 they forced us to have our transmitters changed from a wide band to a narrow band. Now they want to place mobile 5 watt transmitters on our channel space. Our radios are 10 HZ wide and they want to place them as close as .0025 HZ. This will over lap on our channels and we will not have a clear channel. I have about \$500.00 in each of my airplanes and since my transmitter is only a 1/2 watt and the mobile is 5 watt it will over power my radio and cause the plane to crash. I not only lose the equipment but the many hours of time that was put into building the plane.

Example:

We are on 72.070 MHz channel 14

FCC wants 72.0725 MHz

" " 72.0775

WE are on 72.090 MHz channel 15

FCC wants 72.0875

" " 72.0825

I think it is about time that we are given some consideration and let us pursue our hobby without this interference by the FCC.

Anything that you can do for us will be greatly appreciated.

Thank You  
Charles H. Sterner

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*ACD 505*

February 6, 1993

The Honorable William Roth  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C 20510

Dear Senator Roth:

Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

*Wayne Howell*

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February 1, 1993

The Honorable William V. Roth Jr.  
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I am one of hundreds of thousands of men and women who fly radio controlled model airplanes as a hobby. I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-325. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and user inability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio controlled frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio controlled frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to model airplane frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. I am told that of the fifty frequencies presently available for control of model airplanes, only nineteen of these will be left if the new rule is adopted.

When I fly a model plane under radio control I go to great lengths to assure the safety of operators and bystanders as well as the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished, as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly reduced.

I do not think it is appropriate of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of citizens who use these assigned frequencies for relaxation and enjoyment. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models both and in time and in money. Not only does the hobby provide many hours of enjoyment to people like myself, but it contributes to the advancement of the commercial aviation industry. In addition, most modelers belong to the Academy of Model Aeronautics and organized local clubs which support civic activities, school programs, and youth groups. The club that I belong to, Delaware R/C Club, has over 100 members. We fly at an airfield that we maintain within Lums Pond State Park.

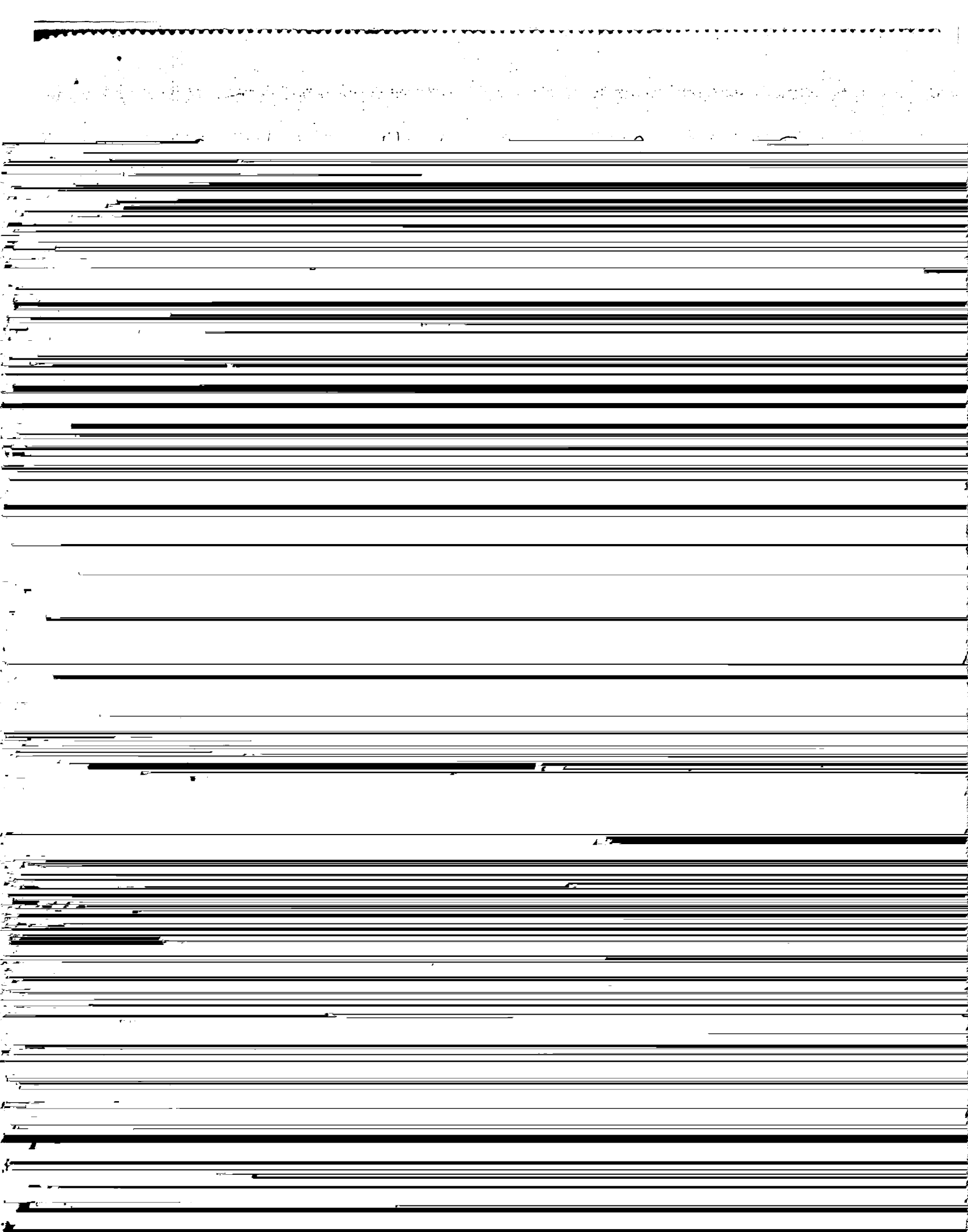
Please help me to continue the safe enjoyment of my hobby by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

Frank N. DuBois

2 Hamilton Lane

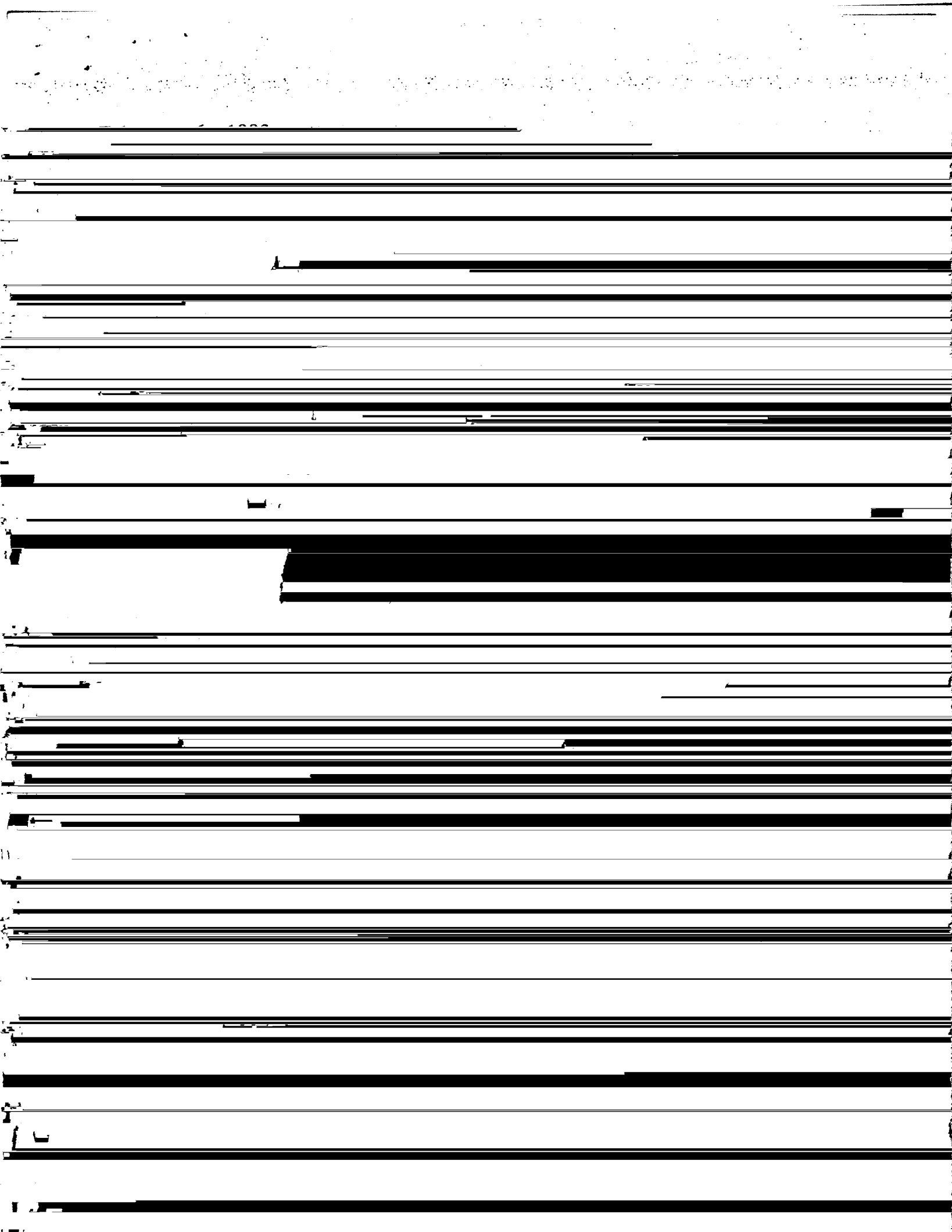
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The Honorable William V. Roth Jr.  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

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I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

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Dear

Senators Bo th,

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I am very active in a local club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes. I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

Robert Paul Smith

February 11, 1993

The Honorable William V. Roth, Jr.  
U.S. Senate  
104 Hart Building  
Washington, DC 20510

ACD607

Dear Senator Roth,

I have enjoyed building and flying MODEL AIRPLANES for as long as I can remember. I am very active in a radio controlled model airplane club. We enjoy building and flying radio controlled model airplanes.

I have become very alarmed about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), PR DOCKET 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. Our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band safely without interfering with each other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. I am told we will lose 31 frequencies if this plan is adopted.

Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 to 40 pounds. Some fly at speeds of over 100 miles per hour. The models themselves are expensive and time consuming to build, but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the airplane. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We go to great lengths to assure the safety of operators, spectators and the protection of property. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly compromised.

The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and radio equipment. There are thousands of modelers like myself. It would be a great loss to me. I have five very expensive radios not to mention the models that have countless hours in building. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment for me and thousands like me and contributes to the advancement and development of commercial aviation.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my hobby by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

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February 5, 1993

The Honorable William V. Roth, Jr.  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Roth:

ACD608

I am retired and derive many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes along with my children and grandchildren.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is **PR DOCKET 92-235**. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72 - 76 MHz band along with private land mobile dispatch operations. We share the band without interfering with each other. Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. The margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

These models are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the aircraft. We have enjoyed a terrific safety performance for over 40 years flying radio controlled model airplanes and want nothing to impair this performance.

I do not think it wise of the FCC to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may think we are not as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people and contributes to the development of commercial and military aviation.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

Howard L. Ashmead